

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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Eliot LEAR

Group Art Unit No.: 2136

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Examiner: JOHNSON, Carlton

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For: METHOD FOR VERIFYING
CONFIGURATION CHANGES FOR
NETWORK DEVICES USING DIGITAL
SIGNATURES

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed September 2, 2008, the shortened statutory period for which runs until December 2, 2008, please reconsider the present application in light of the remarks herein.

- **Remarks** begin at page 2.